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Requirements for case [REDACTED]

1. This branch is interested in national aggregate data on available supplies and public and private expenditure on housing and municipal services. If nation-wide data are not available, data applying only to the cities visited would contribute greatly to the knowledge of this field.

2. Data on public and private expenditures on housing and municipal services are desired. These expenditures should be broken down by spending unit by including: the state budget, the economic enterprise, other public organizations, and the individual citizen, classified by type of service.

3. Housing and municipal services are classed under the Soviet term "communal" economy in the USSR. These services include items such as water, sewage, local transportation, bath houses, laundries, and subway operation and construction. Data on any other municipal services would be appreciated.

4. A breakdown of expenditure data on services by type of service is desired as follows:

- a. Wages and deductions for social insurance
- b. Equipment and supplies
- c. Daily operations - fuel, light, etc.
- d. Administration
- e. Training
- f. Repair
- g. Capital investment
- h. Depreciation

5. Any comments regarding the comparability between Soviet and US terminology and methods of accounting for expenditures on housing and municipal services would be of great value.

6. What proportion of the individual Soviet citizen's income is spent for utilities? How does this differ as between urban and rural persons? Are private expenditures for utilities sufficient to cover the costs of the utilities provided?

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7. Who, or what organizations, operate the shops performing personal services--for example, barber and beauty shops? How much do private expenditures for these services amount to?

8. It is desired that data acquired on the above questions for rural areas be given separately.

9. Are evening and correspondence schools financed - entirely from the state, or local, budget; by economic enterprises, or by the individuals?

10. Are the costs of maintaining religious establishments financed entirely or in part by public expenditures? From national or local budget? If so, how much does this financing amount to?

11. Is life or property insurance sold in the USSR? If so, how much do annual premiums amount to?

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